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SUBJECT: RESHUFFLE EFFECTS OF MINISTERIAL CHANGES

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1. ADDITIONAL CHANGES HAVE FOLLOWED IN WAKE OF REFTEL AFFECTING CZECH AND SLOVAK GOVERNMENTS. MIROSLAV PETRIK WAS NAMED CZECH AGRICULTURE MINISTER REPLACING NAGR WHO HAD MOVED UP TO FEDERAL LEVEL. SLOVAK DEPUTY PREMIER VACLAV VACOK WAS BUMPED FROM THAT POST, APPARENTLY TO MAKE ROOM FOR JAN GREGOR WHO WAS NAMED SLOVAK DEP PREMIER IMMEDIATELY AFTER OUSTER AS A FEDERAL DEPUTY PREMIER. VACOK TOOK OVER AS SLOVAK MINISTER OF CONSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY, A PORTFOLIO THAT HAD TEMPORARILY BEEN HELD BY SLOVAK DEPUTY PREMIER JULIUS HANUS.

2. COMMENT: WE WXPECT MOST IMMEDIATE EFFECT OF THESE CHANGES WILL BE A SPATE OF CZECH JOKES ABOUT HOW FAST SLOVAKS TOOK CARE OF THEIR COUNTRYMAN WHEN HE LOST FEDERAL POSITON, WHILE CZECHS HAMOUZ AND VECERA HAVE STILL APPARENTLY NOT

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